

CLASS 1 PROFESSIONAL TEACHER'S LICENSE

A Class 1 Professional Teacher's License is valid for a period of five years.

To obtain a Class 1 Professional Teacher's License an applicant must have:

- * A Class 2 Standard Educator License or meet the qualifications of the Class 2 Standard Educator License; **and**
- * A master's degree or one year of study consisting of at least 30 graduate semester credits beyond the bachelor's degree in professional education or an endorsable teaching area(s) from an accredited college or university; **and**
- * Verification of three years of successful teaching experience, or the equivalent.

A Class 1 Professional Teacher's License is renewable (60 renewal units for each 5-year term).

A Class 1 Professional Teacher's License may be reinstated by showing verification of:

- * 60 renewal units earned during the five year period preceding the validation date of the new license; **or**
- * 120 renewal units earned during the nine-year period preceding the validation date of the new license.

Please Note:

Persons seeking initial licensure in Montana **must** successfully complete a supervised teaching experience either as part of an accredited professional educator preparation program or successfully complete one year of teaching experience in a state accredited elementary and/or secondary school district.

Questions should be directed to:
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